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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: HUFFMAN Examiner: R. LEWIS
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Title: ENCASED STONE DENTAL MODEL BASE BODY AND METHOD

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed January 22, 2004, said period of response being extended from April 22, 2004 to July 22, 2004.

Our check in the amount of \$475.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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